## CHAPTER 75.5-02-04 PRIVATE PRACTICE AND THIRD-PARTY PAYMENT

Section

75.5-02-04-01 Activities Constituting the Private Practice of Social Work 75.5-02-04-02 Application for Registration [Repealed]

**75.5-02-04-01.** Activities constituting the private practice of social work. Only those individuals licensed in North Dakota at the licensed independent clinical social work level may engage in the private practice of social work. Pursuant to North Dakota Century Code section 43-41-05, the following criteria will be applied:

- 1. A private practitioner of social work on either a full- or part-time basis, is responsible for that person's own practice, exercises sole responsibility for the client, establishes conditions of exchange with clients, and identifies oneself as a social worker in offering services.
- Services provided by a social worker are not considered private practice unless those services are provided independent of any supervising or sponsoring organization, or are provided within a private agency framework where the social worker is a partner or shareholder, and a fee is collected from or on behalf of the client.
- 3. If the social worker provides a continuation of services following termination of services to the client by the employing agency, the social worker must be considered to be in private practice unless the followup service is expressly designated as part of the social worker's responsibilities and the sponsoring agency or organization retains responsibility for the services that are provided.

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